



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR REED
SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

FROM: Councilmember Pierluigi Oliverio
DATE: May 19, 2008

Approved

Date

RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

BACKGROUND

City-Council Initiated Neighborhood Improvement Reserve Fund/Other Budget Proposals

Program/Project Title: Hire 11 civilian officers and 7 sworn police officers

Amount of City Funding Required: Approximately \$2 million dollars

Fund Type: Deferred Maintenance Reserve (5 million currently in reserves) or the 1% aggregate of salary non-increase which is approximately \$2 million dollars

Anticipated Outcomes: Requested funding changes would affect benefits or services for San José residents, businesses, community groups, etc., as described below: (Use as much space as required.)

The City of San Jose is responsible for funding public safety. Over the last decade San Jose has not hired police officers at a rate to keep up with San Jose's increasing population. Residents have shared in surveys, neighborhood meetings, and other correspondence that they support hiring more police officers. I recommend hiring 7 police officers and 11 civilian officers in the 2008-2009 budget.

In addition, I recently chaired the Traffic Calming Advisory Group. We had 10 meetings; one in each district. At these meetings we distributed a survey regarding what the community wanted to see come out of these meetings. The top issue mentioned was the need for more police officers for traffic calming in the neighborhoods. If the council supports the hiring of police officers; then I request a portion of officers be allotted to neighborhood traffic calming per the direction of the Chief of Police. In addition, I would like to request that if the city council approves the red-light running cameras (that were discussed in the traffic calming memo) and the hiring of the civilian officers requested in this memo, that the civilian officers be directed to work in some capacity as needed for the red-light running cameras.

Funding Source

Program/Project Title: Deferred Maintenance Budget (which has 5 million in reserves) or a 1% aggregate of salary non-increase

Amount of City Funding Change: Approximately 2 million for the Deferred Maintenance Budget.

Fund Type: Deferred Maintenance Budget (which has 5 million in reserves) or a 1% aggregate of salary non-increase

Anticipated Outcomes: Requested funding changes would affect benefits or services for San José residents, businesses, community groups, etc., as described below: (Use as much space as required.)

To the extent that 1% of a pay increase (which is approximately 2 million) could be used to hire 7 police officers and 11 civilian officers or that Deferred Maintenance Reserve be used for hiring 7 police officers and 11 civilian officers.

Department or Organization: None

Department or Organization Contact (Please list contact information for the individual that certified cost estimates contained within your recommendation.)

Name: None

Phone number: None

E-mail address: None

This change is: On-going

The City Service Area to which the change best relates:

- ☐ Community and Economic Development Services
- ☐ Environmental and Utility Services
- ☐ Neighborhood Services
- ☒ **Public Safety**
- ☐ Transportation and Aviation Services
- ☐ Strategic Support